

## West Hartford Clean Energy Task Force (CETF) Minutes

Meeting Held – 7PM January 29, 2014 Room 422

### Attendees –

- Joe Campanella
- Chris Nelson
- Jeff Howard
- Catherine Diviney
- Judy Allen
- Bernard Pelletier
- Erin O'Neill (new)
- Max DuBuisson (new)
- Jeff Huang (new)
- Tim D'Souza – Sagewell Thermal Imaging project

### Solarize West Hartford Program – Status (Bernie Pelletier)

- 27 signed contracts
- 188 completed site visits
- 211 scheduled visits (includes the 188)
- 344 interested residents
- Remaining outreach – two more “office hours” sessions in Town Hall and a final mailing.
- With three weeks left in the campaign – CTEC will focus on reaching all interested parties and finalizing proposals

### Sagewell presentation

- Sagewell has completed thermal images of ALL West Hartford homes
- All privacy issues resolved – the images only show exterior heat signature of homes and will be made available only to homeowner
- West Hartford is one of 4 communities in Connecticut to host this program
- Thermal images will be made available to residents through a secure website
- CETF and town are to assist in getting residents to the website to access the images
- The website that will be created is called “WestHartfordhasEnergy.com”
- Residents will accessing the website will see one or more thermal images of their home, see a comparative assessment of their home vs. others, and have access to various corrective actions that MAY include:
  - Home Energy Solutions (HES audits) from vetted contractors including Next Step Living, Lantern Energy, and New England Smart Energy. Sagewell will assign one of these to a Homeowner who selects the HES option
  - HVAC options – still looking for slate of vendors
  - Solar – possibly C-TEC as follow-on from Solarize

- Sagewell indicated results of 5-20% of households participating in their programs in other Towns.
- Goal is to use the assessment as a springboard for action – this is facilitated by Sagewell’s oversight/vetting/management of contractors.
- Kick off will be media announcement from Sagewell, Town, and CETF of the program and the website. We want to do this as soon as possible AFTER Solarize concludes.
- We discussed a jointly fund TOWN mailing to residents announcing the program.
- An action team consisting of Catherine Diviney, Jeff Huang (new attendee), Mike Sullivan (new attendee), and Bernie Pelletier will work on outreach campaign.

#### Report from ZREC Workshop in Stafford

- Only brief discussion of this topic
- Bernie Pelletier briefly reviewed the high points of the presentation and will send out PowerPoint as attachment.
- Catherine discussed the 6 submissions the town has prepared.
- Recommend that we continue the discussion next meeting.

#### If we have time:

- Performance Contracting – still in negotiations but (hopefully) close to conclusion
- 15,000 CEC grant – how to spend
  - Goal was to spend this money so residents could “get something back”
  - Two proposals
    - LED lighting pilot – location TBD – but perhaps Town Hall parking lot, WH center, or some other high traffic area (West Hartford Center). Catherine to discuss with Public Works department and report back
    - Subsidize the first 50 or 100 HES audits that come out of the Sagewell project – Catherine to check that this an allowable use of funds.
- WHPS Energy Quiz – deferred till next meeting
- State of the Town Address – Catherine has provided the Mayor with some of the CETF’s projects and successes
- Other